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In Memory of

Kathryn Jean BROWN (Thompson)

Oakville, ON

October 27th 2011

Brampton, ON

September 11th 1938



BROWN: Kathryn Jean of Oakville on October 27, 2011 following a recent illness. Predeceased by her husband Bud Brown (2008). Will be dearly missed by her sister Mary Graham (Gord) of Guelph and brother Irvine Thompson, Orangeville. A funeral service was held October 31, 2011 in Oakville.

This very kind devoted, gentle lady and wife of predeceased diabetic husband John (Bud) Brown who passed away May 18th 2008 in his 76th year after a lengthy hospital stay. The Oakville native, "*one liner Bud*", began his 35 year career in 1959, with the Municipality of Oakville, as a part timer, at Lions outdoor swimming pool. The City's Superintendent of Facilities and Senior Centre's retired in 1994.

All of us at one time or another, have heard the saying "*behind every successful man is a good woman*". Kathy, the Brampton native, was no exception to this rule. They met at a Junior Farmers' Dance at Trafalgar Hall in Oakville in 1955. Married seven years later on Bud's 30th birthday, May 19th 1962... *Kathy specifically chose the date, that was in large part... to help Bud remember future wedding anniversaries.* Despite the best of intentions, it didn't always quite work out as planned. Kathy and Bud would have celebrated their 46th

Wedding Anniversary in 2008. *Bud's mother once said .. "that Kathy was the best thing that ever happened to Bud...they certainly got that right".*

Their relationship was built on love, trust and respect. This was very evident.. during her innumerable trips and visits to see Bud in the Hospital.. a very familiar scene.. two heads close together, Kathy hold

ing Bud's hands and he looking very intently at her, as if to memorize her face. Kathy without doubt, the primary reason that Bud lived to the age of 75. Her constant love, care and attention throughout the years.

Bud the devoted husband, was also a loving and caring son. He and Kathy faithfully visited his mother every weekend. Over the years it became evident. ...that Bud quietly assumed a patriarchal role in the Brown family.. he was a father figure, and it was he who many turned to for advice and guidance. On many occasions, it was Bud who stood.. sharing memories and condolences about the lives of family members who had passed away.

The Alumni family lost another loyal supporter and member...our thoughts and prayers go out to the Thompson and Brown families... with our deepest sympathies...



Kathy & Bud Brown..St Catharines.. September 2005